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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on 9-19-02 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

(a) The communication filed 9-19-02 is not fully responsive to the Office communication mailed for the reason(s) set forth on the attached Notice To Comply With The Sequence Rules or CRF Diskette Problem Report. Specifically, Applicant's Sequence Listing does not include, for example, the sequences corresponding to Rz10, Rz20, Rz30, Rz33, Rz31, and Rz907 as set forth on pages 21-24 of the specification as filed, nor are there any amendments to the Specification to indicate the appropriate sequence identifiers which correspond to these sequences. Applicant must comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) before the application can be examined under 35 U.S.C. §§ 131 and 132.

(b) Applicant's amendment filed 4-05-2002 does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121(c) because amended claim 44 provided by Applicants to be entered into the record, and the marked-up copy of the amended claims both recite "bracketing," which directs the deletion of claim language. Amendments to the claims filed after March 1, 2001 must comply with 37 CFR 1.121(c).

Since the reply appears to be bona fide attempt to comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825), applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH** from the mailing date of this communication within which to correct the deficiency so as to comply with the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) in order to avoid abandonment of

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the application under 37 CFR 1.821(g). EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

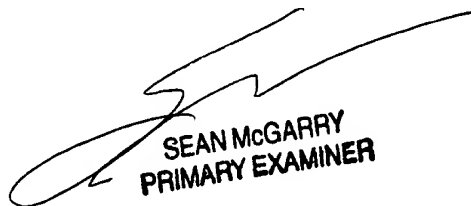
2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Janet L Epps-Ford, Ph.D. whose telephone number is 703-308-8883. The examiner can normally be reached on M-T, Thurs-Friday 9:00AM to 7:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John LeGuyader can be reached on (703)-308-0447. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-305-3014 for regular communications and 703-746-5143 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-0196.

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